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## FISH FARES SCARCE HERE.

ONLY ARRIVALS THIS MORNING  
WERE THREE TRIPS FOR  
THE SPLITTERS.

It's a pretty dry look in the harbor this morning as far as fish fares are concerned.

Schs. Emily Cooney and Rita A. Viator are down from Boston with some hake for the splitters and sch. Edith Silveira had a few thousand weight of market fish.

The torchers brought down 60 barrels of fresh herring.

### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Torchers, 60 bbls. fresh herring.  
Sch. Emily Cooney, via Boston, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Rita A. Viator, via Boston, 15,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Edith Silveira, shore, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Esther Gray, shore.  
Sch. Lillian, shore.  
Sch. Massasoit, shore.  
Sch. Thalia, shore.  
Sch. Hockomock, shore.

### Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Patriot, pollock.  
Sch. Hattie F. Knowlton, shore.  
Steamer Quartette, seining.

### TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

#### Salt Fish.

Salt mackerel, \$30 per bbl. for large and \$19.75 for small.  
Salt trawl bank codfish, \$4.65 per cwt. for large, \$4.10 for mediums and \$3 for snappers.  
Handline Georges codfish, large \$5.75, medium \$4.85, snappers \$3.  
Salt "drift" codfish, large \$5, medium \$4.50.  
Salt bank dory handline cod, \$5.25 per cwt. for large and \$4.75 for mediums.  
Eastern halibut, codfish, large, \$5, medium \$4.50.  
Haddock \$1.75.  
Pollock \$1.75.  
Cusk, large \$2.50, medium \$2; snappers \$1.50.  
Hake, \$1.75.  
Eastern shack cod, \$4.75 for large and \$4.25 for mediums.  
All codfish with napes picked bring 25c over the above price.  
Salted whiting \$2 per bbl.  
Fletched halibut \$6 per lb.  
Halibut fins, \$12 per bbl.

#### Fresh Fish.

Haddock, \$1.15 per cwt.  
Large cod, \$2.65 per cwt.; medium \$2.10 per cwt.  
Peak and Western Bank fresh codfish \$2.50 per cwt. for large and \$2.05 for mediums.  
Cusk, large \$1.75, medium \$1.20.  
Snapper cusk 60c.  
Hake \$1.15.  
Fresh whiting 60c per bbl.  
Dressed pollock 90c, round 80c.  
Bank halibut, 11c per lb. for white and 8c for gray.  
Porgies (for oil) 75 cents per bbl.  
Fresh bluebacks for bait, \$2.50 per bbl.; to the freezer, \$1.50.  
Fresh mackerel, large 34c each, mediums 20c, small 14c.

### HALIBUT STOCKS AND SHARES.

Many Fishermen Had Good Sized Checks to Show for Catch.

Sch. Rhodora, Capt. Augustus Peterson, stocked \$3787.09 as the result of her recent halibut trip to the Cape Shore grounds, the crew sharing \$92.62 clear. In addition to this share many of the crew had a lot of hand line fish which added much to their earnings. The cook made \$178.73 altogether, and the high liner among the crew got \$129.92 for his part of the voyage, while there were three others whose checks were over the \$100 mark.  
Sch. Yakima, Capt. Robert Wharton, stocked \$2652 as the result of her recent halibut trip, the crew share being \$67.61 clear. Some of the crew who had hand line fish, shared between \$75 and \$80.

## BOSTON FISH RECEIPTS LIGHT.

PRICES EVEN BETTER THAN YESTERDAY'S FIGURES IN CONSEQUENCE.

Fish receipts are light at T wharf today and prices are even better than yesterday. Of the 13 fishing craft in, two bring fresh mackerel and five have pollock catches, the rest having fares of market ground fish.

The steam trawler Foam is in on schedule time and with a big paying trip, 66,000 pounds, about all haddock, while her sister craft, the Spray is also in as was expected and she has an even better fare, hauling for 79,000 pounds, 76,000 pounds of which are haddock; and haddock are selling for \$3.10 and \$3.25. The other market trips are small.

Sch. Ralph L. Hall brings 5000 fresh mixed mackerel and is getting 11 cents for the small and 30 cents for the large ones. Steamer Joppaite, which was in yesterday afternoon with 2000 fresh mackerel, sold at yesterday's prices, which were some better.

The dealers paid \$7 for large cod, without a murmur and also handed out \$5 for market cod. Pollock they bought at \$2.90 and also gave \$1.50 and \$2.50 for hake, the latter for large.

### Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are:  
Sch. Azorean, 700 haddock, 500 cod, 1000 pollock.  
Steamer Foam, 63,000 haddock, 17,000 cod, 1000 hake.  
Sch. Mary E. Cooney, 2,000 haddock, 1,500 cod, 10,000 hake.  
Sch. Hope, 12,000 pollock.  
Sch. Valentina, 8,000 pollock.  
Sch. Mary A. Gleason, 12,000 pollock.  
Sch. Pythian, 35,000 pollock.  
Sch. M. Madeline, 2,000 pollock.  
Steamer Spray, 76,000 haddock, 1,000 cod, 1,800 hake.  
Sch. Ralph L. Hall, 5000 fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Rose Standish, 800 cod, 43,000 hake, 1,000 cusk.  
Sch. Viking, 3,000 haddock, 1,500 cod, 1,000 pollock.  
Sch. Joppaite, 2,000 fresh mackerel.  
Haddock, \$3.10 to \$3.25 per cwt.; large cod, \$7; market cod, \$5; pollock, \$2.90; hake, \$1.50 to \$2.50; cusk, \$2.50; large fresh mackerel 30c each; small fresh mackerel, 11c each.

### Fishing Facts and Fancies.

Atlantic City's newest deep sea fishing smack is to be the 80-ton sch. Nelson C. Smith, formerly of Patchogue, L. I. Capt. Edward Watts, of Bay Shore, her owner for 16 years, grew tired of carrying oysters to the New York market.

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Jesse Roberts of Philadelphia, last week displayed at the Avalon, Cal., Tuna Club, the largest swordfish brought to gaff on the coast this season. It measured 11 feet in length and weighed 282 pounds. For 58 minutes Mr. Roberts battled for supremacy. In gaffing the fish all aboard the launch Junita were drenched to the skin. Mr. Roberts had the fish mounted and sent home.

Mrs. Sarah B. Ricker of Livermore Falls, Me., has a bed cord made of whale sinews that was used constantly for more than 100 years and is still in nearly as good condition as when first made. It is about the size of an ordinary rope.

United States Fish Commissioner George M. Bowers will soon start for London to dispose of the season's catch of 12,008 seal skins, which he expects to bring more than the \$403,000 received for some 900 more skins last year.

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The Boothbay Fish Co., of Lewiston, Me., have begun the packing of boneless codfish on a large scale. The company is also shipping shelled clams to Boston in large quantities.

James Donohue of Rockland, the Commissioner of Maine Sea and Shore Fisheries, says this has been a splendid season in Maine for all kinds of fisheries.

Fishing at Lepreux, N. B., has been of record-breaking proportions of late, according to all accounts. Ellis Brothers are said, for instance, to have cleared \$3000 each during the last three weeks. Others have done almost as well.

### Steam Trawlers for Japan.

Four steam trawlers are being prepared to leave Grimsby shortly for Japan to inaugurate a fleet of modern vessels for a company at Nagasaki. It is said the company intends going into the trawling industry extensively, and that from 15 to 25 steamers will be secured in Britain for the undertaking. Our trawler has been working in the seas round Japan for some time, says the London "Fish Trades Gazette," fishing the known banks with considerable success, and exploring the more distant one also with some promise of good seasonable results. The trawlers now at Grimsby ready for the journey to the Far East are manned by British fishermen on a long agreement, with the understanding that the crews will be augmented by native fishermen, who will learn the use of the modern appliances. This great departure—the largest that Grimsby has ever participated in for a foreign amalgamation—has doubtless had much to do with the increasing attention paid to Grimsby and the various phases of its industry in recent years by young Japanese students. These young men are now to be found taking active parts in all branches of the port's trade, from the net-making stores to the deck of a trawler, and nearly all are being partly maintained by their home authorities. It is evident Japan intends revolutionizing its great fisheries, just as a few years ago steam revolutionized the trawling at home.

### Chinese Will Try Trawling.

An enterprise which should prove of importance to Shanghai is the Shanghai Fisheries, Ltd., registered in Hongkong. The intention of the company is to introduce trawling into far eastern waters, and, being the first experiment of the kind, its development into what, under favorable conditions, should be a great industry for the port, will be carefully regarded. The distribution of the catch has been gone into carefully, and it is understood a satisfactory arrangement has been made with the Chinese fish companies, of which there are seven. The company has the offer of a trawler, and as soon as everything has been completed, it will be dispatched. This is to cost \$35,000. At first no more will be attempted than the bringing of fresh fish to Shanghai. The catch will in all likelihood, be landed at Woosung, and will be distributed to Shanghai and the other centers in the neighborhood by rail.

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## PENSACOLA MEN BUYING VESSELS

SCH. EMILY COONEY SOLD TO  
PARTIES FROM THAT PORT  
YESTERDAY.

Capt. Patrick Murphy, owner and commander of sch. Emily Cooney, has sold his craft to Pensacola, Florida, parties. The craft is at this port today, taking out fish, and as soon as this is done she will haul out and be made ready for her southern trip to her new home port.

It is reported that Capt. Murphy is considering having a gasoline steamer built to engage in seining in summer and shore gill net fishing in winter.

The vessel market appears to be brisk at the present time. Already three crafts, schs. Mary E. Cooney, Ida S. Brooks and Emily Cooney have been sold to Pensacola, Florida, parties, who are still looking for more vessels. Capt. Frank Cooney is acting as their agents here and has made an offer for sch. Thomas J. Carroll of Boston. A gentleman is here from Carolina to buy a craft to put into fishing down that way and inquiries are being received as to vessels for sale from several other points along the coast.

### Preparing For Southern Trip.

Sch. Ida S. Brooks, which was recently sold to Pensacola, Florida, parties, is on Burnham Brothers rail ways, painting and fixing up preparatory to sailing for her new home port, where she will engage in the red snapper fishery.

## TRAPS TAKE TOO MANY SMALL FISH

NEWFOUNDLANDERS MUST FISH  
WITH TRAWL OR HOOKS FOR  
AMERICAN MARKET.

Speaking of the recent trip of Frank C. Pearce and Chaney Hall, of this city to Labrador, with Hon. A. W. Piccott, Newfoundland minister of marine and fisheries, the St. John's N. F., Trade-Review says:

"The party returned to town in the early part of the week. Mr. Hall says that the manner in which the fish is cured suits the American market all right; but the percentage of undersized fish is by far too large. If buying largely this year he would refuse to accept hundreds of quintals of fish, not because of conditions of cure, but because of its small size.

"Both Mr. Hall and Mr. Pearce are emphatic in stating that the trap accounts for the high percentage of small fish, and that, if the American trade is ever going to amount to anything in future the trap must go. Fish taken on trawls or hook-and-line, especially some distance from the shore, were large enough in the run to suit the requirements of the United States market and they say that the Labrador voyage of the future must be taken by handline or trawl, or it will not attract them. Mr. Hall bought three cargoes of fish on the coast, at \$4 per quintal, but the buying was rather by way of experiment.

"When asked how the increased bait supply (absolutely necessary under a wholesale hook and trawl condition) was to be managed both gentlemen answered, "Cold storage, undoubtedly." Both gentlemen are very sanguine in the matter of the future of the Labrador trade, and they are highly pleased with the coast and with the people with whom they met down there."

### Prices Paid by Americans for West Coast Salt Cod.

The Trade-Review in speaking with regard to the prices paid by Americans for Newfoundland west coast salt cod this fall, says:

"Last year the price paid for salt bulk fish was three cents per pound, or \$3.36 for 112 pounds. On the basis of two for one (which is the usual mode of calculation) this worked out at \$6.72 per quintal dry, not taking time and labor into account. Some of the fish sold last year was not as good as it ought to be, and we note that more of the fish has been bought "from the knife" this year, instead of from salt bulk. The price paid this fall for fish "from the knife" is 1 3-4 cents per pound; comparison of weights shows that 308 pounds of this fish are equivalent to a dry quintal, so that the price paid is equal to \$5.39 for dry fish, or roundly \$5.40.

"At the very lowest calculation 45 cents is the sum that may be put down for salt and making, so this brings the price up to \$5.95 per quintal. When cullage, freight, and late realization are taken into account, well informed Western business men say that men who are selling from the knife this fall to Americans are being paid at the rate of \$6.50 per quintal, if sold on a dry basis. The amount of fish sold on the West Coast to Americans this fall is reaching very respectable proportions. One cargo of 150,000 pounds has already been shipped from Rose Blanche, and another cargo of about the same size is about ready to start. These are "from the knife" cargoes and there are about ten salt bulk cargoes loading. These latter are being taken from Harbor Breton, Belleoram, St. Jacques, Fortune, Grand Bank, St. Lawrence and Burin, and are being sold at the rate of \$5.75 for 224 pounds.

If we only calculate 25 cents for processing the fish from salt bulk to dry, this makes \$6.00 without freight or cull."

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### For Newfoundland Salt Herring Trip.

Capt. Joseph V. Bonin is fitting sch. Maxine Elliott for a Newfoundland salt herring trip.